ernment has been drawn to the absence of roads in the villages of Anandapuram and Muriyad in the Mukundapuram Taluk; how much money was spent in these villages by the same Panchayat (*Trikkur*) for the last three years?

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—Government have felt that the two villages stand in need of a few roads. Detailed enquiries have however to be made. The amount spent by the Panchayat in the last 3 years is Rs. 50.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—In the bracket in the question, "by the same Panchayat" (Trikkur) is put. These two villages are not included in the Trikkur Panchayat.

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—Probably it is a mistake in the question itself.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—I have not put them in the question. I am sure.

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—These villages are in the Porathisseri Panchayat.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—So, it is a mistake.

Since the Government admits that the two villages stand in need of roads, and that only Rs. 50 was spent for the last three years, will they be pleased to state whether a detailed inquiry will be made as early as possible?

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—Inquiries will be made.

Legislative Council Election.

9. **Dr. A. G. Menon.**—A. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) why was the 10th Edavam, the day on which elections to the Legislative Council were held, declared a general public holiday;

(2) was it not to enable the voters who were employed in Government offices and elsewhere to exercise their franchise in their respective places;

(3) is it a fact that some of the Heads of Departments issued orders to their subordinates not to leave their stations on the day in question;

(4) were those orders, if any, with the previous sanction of the Government;

B. (1) were there any complaints against any of the Government servants for their interference in the elections recently held to this Council;

(2) if so, against whom and by whom were the complaints;

(3) have the Government made any enquiries in the matter;

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(4) if so, what actions have been taken by the Government on those petitions ;

(5) will the Government be pleased to place on the Table the petitions received and the orders passed on them ?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—A. (1) To enable Government officers to discharge their duties as polling officers and to enable the electors to vote without inconveniencing themselves.

(2) Vide answer to (1).

(3) The answer is in the negative.

(3) The question does not arise in view of the answer to (3).

B. (1) Yes.

(2) (a) Against the Chalakkudi, Irinjalakkuda and Kuriarkutti Sub-Assistant Surgeons by Mr. C. S. Subrahmana Ayyar, Chalakkudi, b) against Kunnamkulam Sub-Inspector by one Mr. Paramel Chummar and against Head Constable Ittiachan by Mr. P. Krishna Menon of Irinjalakkuda.

(c) Against Parvathiams of Velukkara and Vadakkumkara Group Villages by Mr. P. Krishna Menon, Irinjalakkuda, and against the village officers of Vadakkumkara and Kottanellur by Mr. V. D. Ouseph.

(3) Yes.

(4) Enquiries in regard to (2) (a) and (b) showed that the complaints were groundless and the papers were therefore recorded. The enquiry in regard to (2) (c) is not completed.

(5) Government do not think it necessary to place the papers on the Table.

Government Servants and Legislative Council Elections.

10. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to place on the Table a list of Government officials against whom complaints were made that they were interfering with the election of the Second Legislative Council and the action taken regarding these complaints ?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—Vide answer to question No. 9.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Is that list exhaustive ?

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—Which list, please ?

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Here the list of Members is given in the previous answer. I want to know whether that list is exhaustive.

Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.—Yes, so far as information is available with the Government.

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